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The Honorable Stephen Johnson
Administrator
Environmental Protection Agency

Dear Administrator Johnson,

On behalf of the International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP), I am pleased to inform you of our support for the Environmental Protection Agency's 7th Annual Observance of "*National Environmental Crime Prevention Week*" April 13 – 19, 2008.

The IACP has worked to educate our membership through our Environmental Crimes Committee and continues to influence our communities through coordinated enforcement of crimes affecting our environment. This week in particular, we pay close attention to the challenges we face in protecting our nation's natural resources. Only through coordinated efforts with individuals, communities and environmental enforcement professionals can we hope to effectively enforce laws enacted to protect our environment and our future.

I commend the EPA on its outreach to communities across the United States and its efforts to educate citizens and law enforcement officers, alike, about the warning signs and devastating effects of environmental crime.

Best wishes for a successful and safe observance of National Environmental Crime Prevention Week 2008.

Sincerely,

Ronald C. Ruecker
President
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